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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 3, 7, 12, 18, 20-21, and 23 to read as follows:

3. (Once Amended) A voice compression apparatus as recited in claim 2, wherein the analysis module is selected from the group of voice encoders consisting of linear predictive coders, mixed-excitation linear prediction coders, harmonic coders, and multiband excitation coders.